

State Unemployment Insurance Benefits For Spouses Overseas



NOTE: All States have statutes that prohibit the payment of unemployment insurance benefits for personnel who quit work without "good cause." The definition of "good cause" may not necessarily be clearly be defined and is subject to interpretation by each State. Most States encourage you to file so that an entitlement determination can be made. If denied benefits, you will normally be notified in writing as to the specific reason why and afforded the opportunity to appeal the decision within a particular time period.

| <u>Alabama</u> | <u>Alaska</u> | <u>Arizona</u> |
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| You are not eligible to file a claim if you reside outside the United States. | If you travel or relocate outside the United States you are not eligible to collect benefits. | No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. |
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| <u>Arkansas</u> | <u>California</u> | <u>Colorado</u> |
| You are not eligible to file a claim if you move out of | No guidance published regarding overseas | No guidance published regarding overseas |
| the State. | entitlement. | entitlement. |
| <u>Connecticut</u> | <u>Delaware</u> | District of Columbia |
| Benefits may be awarded if you left your job to | No guidance published regarding overseas | No guidance published regarding overseas |
| accompany a spouse who is required to relocate while on active duty with the United States Armed | entitlement. | entitlement. |
| Forces. | | |
| Florida Florida | Georgia | Hawaii |
| No guidance published regarding overseas | No guidance published regarding overseas | No guidance published regarding overseas |
| entitlement. | entitlement. | entitlement. |
| <u>ldaho</u> | <u>Illinois</u> | <u>Indiana</u> |
| No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. |
| lowa | Kansas | Kentucky |
| Benefits may be awareded for military spouses who | Benefits may be awarded if you quit due to the | No guidance published regarding overseas |
| are forced to voluntarily quit employment because the | voluntary or involuntary transfer of your spouse from | entitlement. However, has strict requirement for |
| spouse on active duty has been relocated by the | one job to another. | personal visits to local offices as condition to receive |
| military. | one job to unotifer. | benefits. |
| Louisiana | <u>Maine</u> | Maryland |
| No guidance published regarding overseas | Benefits will normally be allowed if it was necessary | You are not eligible to continue filing |
| entitlement. | for you to leave your job to accompany, follow or join | unemployment insurance benefits if you move |
| | your spouse to a new place of residence. | to another country. |
| <u>Massachusetts</u> | <u>Michigan</u> | <u>Minnesota</u> |
| An individual whose continued employment is | No guidance published regarding overseas | No guidance published regarding overseas |
| affected by the transfer of a military spouse to | entitlement. | entitlement |
| another location may be eligible for unemployment | | |
| benefits. | | |

| <u>Mississippi</u> | <u>Missouri</u> | <u>Montana</u> |
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| No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | You may receive benefits if you left to follow your spouse due to a military reassignment. |
| Nebraska No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. |
| No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | New Mexico No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. |
| No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | Ohio No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement |
| Oklahoma No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | Oregon No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | Pennsylvania The claimant must show that the reason for the spouse's relocation was beyond the spouse's control, and that such relocation created economic circumstances which would not be overcome or that it was economically impossible to maintain two residences. |
| Rhode Island No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | South Carolina No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | South Dakota No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. |
| Tennessee Disqualification for benefits includes voluntarily quitting without good cause connected with work by moving to another locality. | Texas Texas law does not permit claims from any foreign country. | Utah Depending on the circumstances, travel or relocation to a foreign country could affect your continued eligibility for unemployment benefits. |
| Vermont No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | Virginia Virginia law specifies that any individual who voluntarily leaves his/her employment to accompany or join a spouse in a new locality be disqualified for benefits. | Washington You may have left work for good cause: To relocate for your spouse's or domestic partner's military transfer. |
| West Virginia No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | Wisconsin No guidance published regarding overseas entitlement. | Wyoming You may be qualified for non-work related reasons if you quit to transfer with a spouse who is reassigned with the military |